

APPEAL NO. 023156
FILED JANUARY 29, 2003

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing was held on November 18, 2002. With respect to the single issue before him, the hearing officer determined that the respondent's (claimant) compensable injury of _____, includes the left shoulder and low back in addition to the right hip, left knee, and left foot. In its appeal, the appellant (carrier) challenges that determination as being against the great weight of the evidence. The appeal file does not contain a response to the carrier's appeal from the claimant.

DECISION

Affirmed.

The hearing officer did not err in determining that the compensable injury includes an injury to the left shoulder and low back in addition to injuries to the right hip, left knee, and left foot. The claimant had the burden to prove the extent of her compensable injury. Conflicting evidence was presented on the disputed issue. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence. Section 410.165(a). As the finder of fact, the hearing officer resolves the conflicts in the evidence and determines what facts have been established. We conclude that the hearing officer's extent-of-injury determination is supported by sufficient evidence and that it is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong or manifestly unjust. Accordingly, no sound basis exists for us to disturb the challenged determination on appeal. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175 (Tex. 1986).

The hearing officer's decision and order are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **AMERICAN HOME ASSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY
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Elaine M. Chaney
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